

PERSHING'S MEN NOW OCCUPYING GOOD POSITION

American Punitive Expedition
at Namiquipa Can Readily
Control Two Important Rail-
roads.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)
El Paso, June 20.—The border read the latest note to General Carranza to-day and then lapsed into the expectant waiting that has followed each crisis in the Mexican situation.

Speculation tonight centered on the first chief's reception of the Lansing document. Much interest was taken in a telegram received this afternoon at the Mexican consulate from the official news bureau in Mexico City. This message read: "General Carranza, addressing a patriotic crowd in Mexico City, declared that there would be no war between the United States and Mexico unless the United States should send a further punitive expedition into Mexico."

Carranza to Back Down?
The address referred to is believed to be the one mentioned in Monday night despatches, in which General Carranza was quoted as saying he did not wish war, but would not dodge it to the sacrifice of the national dignity. In some quarters the telegram was interpreted as forecasting a back-down on the part of the first chief.

It was pointed out that the United States had no intention of sending additional forces into Mexico unless a new situation arises.

Whatever Carranza's attitude, military authorities along the border announced themselves tonight in complete readiness for eventualities. At

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every point where the threat of the de facto soldiers exists, every preparation has been made for the protection of American lives and property.

Defensive Offensive Planned.
In military circles it is agreed that the American defense against the slightest Mexican aggression will be a swift and sharply executed offensive. The only way to protect the border will be to drive the Carrancistas away from it.

Indications which piled up today from various Mexican towns along the border point to the probability that the first dash of American regulars over the international boundary will meet with slight resistance. Men, women and children in these centers are being ordered southward, while merchants have been instructed to move their goods to interior points. There has been no preparation of trenches or other fortifications.

Retreating Fight of It.
It is believed here that whatever fight the Mexicans might make would be staged some distance to the south. American military men do not expect a pitched battle. They say that the Mexican officers who crossed over into El Paso when the Scott-Oregon conference was on and witnessed the display of United States regulars, realize well that the poorly equipped and ill-drilled peons under the Mexican banner would have no chance in a genuine engagement with the Americans. They predict the Mexicans will make a retreating fight of it.

Five to One.
While the Carrancistas undoubtedly outnumber the Americans at any given point, they are not feared by the Americans, who figure one of their men is worth five of the Mexicans. This is about the ratio of the troops engaged in the first Mexican war. The Mexicans are not rated as highly now as they were then.

Strategists here point out the splendid military position of General Pershing's forces at Namiquipa. South-east of this point is the Santa Clara canyon, which cuts through a spur of the Sierra Madre, and provides a comparatively short route to Laguna on the Mexican Central railroad. Laguna is about 140 miles from Juarez and 90 miles from Chihuahua. By using the Mexico Northwestern to send another column into Chihuahua City, General Pershing could speedily control both the Mexican Central and the Mexico Northwestern from Juarez to Chihuahua, and be in a position to dominate the situation south of Chihuahua City.

No Defenses at Juarez.
A trip through Juarez today showed no attempt there at fortification. There have been numerous reports of trenches dug and defenses thrown up, but these were shown to be groundless. A few rows of stones, piled up in fields, irrigation ditches bereft of any flow of water and a heap of dirt here and there, apparently gave ground for the rumors. Military men say they are valueless against American artillery.

The large irrigation ditches through the town could be utilized if the water were cut off. However, they might also make good traps in event of a cleverly executed flank attack.

While the situation develops the exodus of Americans from Chihuahua and Sonora continues. Men making their way to El Paso say that practically only "galvanized" Mexicans—Americans who have married Mexican women and raised families—remain in the interior and these will make no attempt to leave.

**OTERO COMMISSIONERS
CUT ORCHARD VALUES**

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL)
Alamogordo, N. M., June 20.—At the last meeting of the board of commissioners of Otero county, tax reductions totaling the amount of \$10,380, and tax raises totaling \$7,399 were made.

Orchard lands in the Mountain Park district came in for a majority of the total reductions, on account of the almost total failure of the fruit crop in that district this year. The orchard owners were allowed a total reduction of \$7,860.

AMERICANS IN SONORA STATE TRUST CALLES

United States Citizens Rely on
Promise to Protect Foreign-
ers; No Serious Fighting Is
Expected.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)
Douglas, Ariz., June 20.—Quiet preparations on the part of officials of the Arizona district of the United States border patrol to prepare for any possible development, the arrival here of increasing numbers of American refugees from the mining districts south of the international line and repeated assurances of both Mexican and American officials that law-abiding citizens of the opposite nationality need fear no harm, marked developments in this vicinity during the day.

One of the outstanding features of the situation here was the faith expressed almost unanimously by Americans in the promised protection to foreign residents of Sonora by General P. Elias Calles, commander of the Carranza forces of the state. The only fear apparently was that some of the Mexican troops or citizens might get beyond his control should disorders occur in other parts of Mexico.

Expect No Serious Fighting.

Many Americans who arrived from the interior of Sonora, as well as residents of Douglas, expressed the belief that, if intervention is forced upon the United States, no serious fighting will result in Sonora, and especially along the border here.

At the same time, persistent reports were in circulation that a faction of Mexican residents of Piltzville, a suburb of Douglas, was planning to begin rioting at the first sign of fighting between Mexican and American forces. However, efforts to trace these reports to any definite source were fruitless and most officials were inclined to discredit them.

Riot May Occur.

Possible attempts at rioting and perhaps efforts to burn buildings, it was stated by one official, was causing the most concern of the authorities. For this reason all such reports were promptly investigated. Details of their detention by armed Mexican civilians at Cananea Saturday night were related today by scores of refugees reaching here from that mining camp of Sonora. The following series of events there were related by the arrivals:

Story of Detention.
An official of Cananea received a telegram from Hermosillo Saturday night stating that the United States had intervened in Mexico. The message was read to the Mexican audience in a theatre.

A large number of the American residents of the mining camp were attending a dance. The first intimation they had of trouble was when the Mexicans, after arming themselves, took charge of all horses and automobiles owned by citizens of this country. The dance hall was surrounded by Mexicans, who passed before the doors and windows, displaying their arms.

On With the Dance.

Many were frightened for a short time, but it was decided to continue dancing. This they did until 1 o'clock in the morning, when the Mexicans, laying particular stress upon the fact that they should go to their own homes.

Several attempted to leave the town, but they were met in every direction by patrols of citizens, who ordered them back.

"We were informed that we would

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be perfectly safe for the night," one arrival stated. "What worried us was that no assurances were given us as to what would occur the next day."

Mexicans Poor Chauffeurs.

When morning came the Mexican authorities ordered the return of all horses and automobiles to the Americans and later all were informed they could leave for the border. Several automobiles were more or less damaged by the attempts of the Mexicans to drive them during the night.

Shots were fired throughout the night by the natives, one of the chief targets being the American flagstaff over a hotel in which was the office of W. A. Julian, American vice consul. The flag pole was splintered in several places and the flag itself pierced by bullets, but the shots failed to bring the stars and stripes to the ground.

With the exception of a few in isolated camps in southern Sonora, nearly all Americans south of here had reached the border tonight. Those at El Tercero, southeast of Nacozari, remained, but were preparing to come north.

**GEN. B. J. VILJOEN MAY
SERVE WITH GUARDSMEN**

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL)
Santa Fe, June 20.—Adjutant General Harry T. Herring, who is here from the front, has received a letter

from General B. J. Viljoen, the Boer commander, who has a ranch at La Mesa, Dona Ana county, but has been near Los Angeles the past few months, tendering his services to the national guard. General Viljoen's only son, Eugene, is with General Pershing in Mexico, and his nephew, Ernest Van Dyke, is in active service in the Big Bend country, with Company K of the Texas national guard.

**GET MOTION PICTURES
FOR SANTA FE DISPLAY**

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL)
Santa Fe, June 20.—General Advertising Manager W. H. Simpson, of the Santa Fe, will arrive at Lamy on Thursday with Mrs. Simpson and a party of railroad officials, motion picture apparatus and operators, and magazine writers, to spend Friday at Santa Fe, Saturday at the San Juan dance and Sunday and Monday at Taos, going overland in automobiles. From Taos the party will proceed across Taos pass to Cimarron and Raton and thence to the Cowboys' Reunion at Las Vegas.

Santa Fe Personal.

Santa Fe, June 20.—Insurance Commissioner Jacobo Chavez and son-in-law, A. M. Ileana and family, will leave tomorrow in automobile for the Chavez ranch near Manzano.

MEXICAN TROOPS BEGIN MOVEMENT TOWARD BORDER

Cavalry Advance Guard
Reaches Point 22 Miles
South of Douglas; Native
Civilian Volunteers Organize

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)
Douglas, Ariz., June 20.—Mexican troops have begun a northward movement along the right of way of the Nacozari railroad, according to the statement of refugees from the south late today. A cavalry advance guard of two hundred and fifty reached Canabona, twenty-two miles south, last night, they said. This with the exception of a small garrison ordinarily maintained in Agua Prieta is the farthest north Mexican soldiers have come in eight weeks, it is stated.

At the same time all of the troops which have been stationed in Cuchuta, thirty-five miles south of Douglas, were reported to have moved north six miles to Fronteras, where the infantry concentration camp of the Calles force is located.

2,500 at Fronteras.
It is estimated that there are approximately 2,500 men at Fronteras at the present time.

Reports from Nacozari stated that 1,500 civilian volunteers were organizing to join the army at Fronteras in the event of the outbreak of war, while many civilians from Cuppas, Moctezuma and other towns south of Nacozari are prepared to march north in case they are needed.

Railroad equipment was gathered today in Agua Prieta and, according to reliable American sources, all of the families in the city were taken southward, presumably to Nacozari, shortly before nightfall. The meaning of this move cannot be fathomed here unless it portends further northward advance by the Mexicans and desires to remove Mexican noncombatants from the possible danger zone. A large number of Mexicans went across the border here with their families. Large quantities of food stuffs were crossed to Agua Prieta during the day.

Embargo on Munitions.
An embargo on war munitions and explosives of every sort was declared by the United States government and put in effect here. Every one crossing the border from Douglas to Agua Prieta was forced to submit to a close search of their clothing for possible

concealed weapons or ammunition. No arrests were made during the day. Vehicles also were searched.

Apprehension among Mexicans employed in this portion of southwestern Arizona was further allayed today by the issuance of bulletins by the local smelters. The Mexicans were advised that as long as they conducted themselves in an orderly manner they would be given every guarantee of safety and personal liberty.

**ALLIES PLANNING
ECONOMIC WARFARE**

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEASED WIRE)
Paris, June 20 (5 p. m.).—Results of recent economic conferences here in which the allied governments were represented show that sweeping measures have been jointly adopted under three heads, the first embracing the period during the war, the second the transition period, and the third the period after the war.

During the war, citizens of the allied nations are forbidden all commerce with enemy subjects. All merchandise from enemy countries is likewise forbidden. Commercial houses having enemy connections are sequestered. Additional restrictions are placed on exportations and also on contraband.

During the reconstruction period, the allies declare their purpose to carry on joint action in restoring industry, agriculture and merchant fleets.

All treaties with the enemies being abrogated, the allies agree that favored national treatment shall not be accorded to enemy powers during a number of years to be agreed upon by the allies after hostilities cease. They further declare in favor of the allied nations dealing among themselves as far as possible in their natural resources.

The allies agree to prevent "dumping" of enemy goods by fixing a period of time during which enemy commerce shall be subject to special rules and prohibitions.

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